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WEATHER Balmy temperatures and snow-free sidewalks may have brought smiles to the faces of Canadians coast to coast over the past few months, but the record-setting winter conditions are causing consternation and anxiety for one senior Environment Canada climatologist.

David Phillips said this winter, the warmest and driest on record for 63 years, may be setting the stage for a summer plagued by a host of problems ranging from droughts to rampant insect populations.

Temperatures from December through February were four degrees higher than what's considered normal for this time of year, he said.

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Two arrested after HRM's third break-in of the week

CRIME There's been another home invasion in HRM.

Halifax RCMP responded to a home on West Lawrencetown Road just after 4 p.m. Thursday after receiving a 911 report of a break-in in progress.

According to police spokesman Cpl. Joe Taplin, the residents arrived home to find two men inside.

"One of them had a jewelry box in their hand," Taplin said. "They threw the jewelry box down, ran towards (the residents), pushed them out of the way, (and) exited the residence."

Taplin said RCMP were on the scene almost immediately, and managed to arrest a 22-year-old man after a short foot pursuit.

With the help of a K-9 unit, RCMP tracked a second 18-year-old suspect to a nearby trail.

Both men could face several charges, Taplin said, including break and enter, theft and assault.

This is the third home invasion Halifax RCMP have responded to this week.

Early Monday, an East Preston home was broken into and several pieces of electronics were stolen.

The following morning, a woman and her one-year-old child were confronted in their Mineville apartment by a man wearing a ski-mask. He made off with a laptop computer.

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Dodging discipline

RCMP won't punish cop who shot man dead because it neglected review

No discipline will be imposed on an RCMP officer who fatally shot a Nova Scotia man in his own home because the force neglected to start a review of the constable's actions within its legally required time frame.

In January, the RCMP launched a disciplinary review of Const. Jeremy Frenette's actions in 2008 shooting of John Simon, weeks after receiving a report by the Halifax Regional Police into the incident.

But the review ended shortly after it began once the Mounties realized it didn't start the process within a year as required by law, RCMP spokeswoman Brigid Leger said Thursday.

"It was a gap in our

Breaching RCMP policy

• A report by the Halifax Regional Police into the incident concluded Const. Jeremy Frenette didn't violate any laws and shot Simon in self-defence. The report quoted Frenette saying, "I felt he was

gonna shoot me."

But that report also said Frenette was "in contravention of established RCMP policy," and his supervisor instructed him to stay out of Simon's house.

process," Leger said.

"A discipline review was commenced, but based on the time that had passed, our ability to continue was questionable ... We regret this."

The revelation drew an incredulous reaction from the Wagmatcook First Nation, where 44-year-old Simon was killed.

"This is unbelievable," said Brian Arbutnot, di-

rector of operations for the Wagmatcook First Nation's band council.

"It goes to the heart of the mismanagement of the RCMP from top to bottom."

Arbutnot said the community will be stunned to learn an administrative error resulted in the review being dropped.

"How can you miss doing disciplinary action in a

man's death?" he said. "Words go beyond how I feel about this right now. It's negligence in the highest order."

Archie Kaiser, an expert on criminal law at Dalhousie University, said the RCMP isn't providing the public with an adequate explanation.

"Unfortunately, I think the decision not to proceed with disciplinary proceedings will further undermine public confidence in the way in which the RCMP handled this investigation," he said.

Frenette shot Simon dead on Dec. 2, 2008, after the officer climbed through Simon's window and confronted the allegedly drunk and suicidal man.

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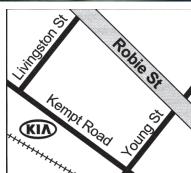
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Airport to launch Halifax-Philly route

The Halifax International Airport Authority announced Thursday a new air service between Halifax and Philadelphia with US Airways. The service will operate three times each day starting June 1. The 50-seat CRJ-200 regional jet will depart from Halifax Stanfield International Airport at 7:40 a.m., 1:15 p.m. and 5 p.m. US Airways, US Airways Shuttle and US Airways Express operate more than 3,000 flights per day and serve more than 190 communities.

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Man charged after attempted theft from laundry room

CRIME A 33-year-old Halifax man is facing various charges after police say someone attempted to pry open a laundry room coin-operated dryer inside an apartment building.

Halifax Regional Police say they were called to a theft in the 0 to 100 block of Drysdale Road at 12:20 p.m. on Wednesday.

Police say witnesses were able to provide a description of the suspect, who was located a short distance away and arrested without incident.

Scott Anthony Deveau was to appear Thursday in Halifax provincial court charged with attempted theft, mischief and breach of recognizance.

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RCMP to patrol construction sites

PRECAUTION Halifax RCMP will be patrolling construction-site areas and working with the Nova Scotia Home Builders' Association during the upcoming construction season to keep sites safe from theft.

Police say last year, thefts from construction sites involved items such as windows, doors, tubs, cabinets, tools and lumber.

Police are asking the public to report any suspicious activity or vehicles in and around new home construction areas. They say most construction work is completed throughout the day and activity around these sites at night could be considered suspicious.

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N.S. won't have say in gains: Dexter

Direct profits from Daewoo pact not certain

McNeil blasts 'sweetheart deal'

There is no guarantee Nova Scotia taxpayers' stake in a wind turbine plant will result in any potential profits flowing into provincial coffers, Premier Darrell Dexter said Thursday.



Darrell Dexter

The decision on what happens to any profits in the government's joint venture with South Korean manufacturing giant Daewoo Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering Inc. at the former TrentonWorks railcar factory will be made by the new company's board of directors, Dexter said outside a cabinet meeting.

Earlier this week, Economic Development Minister Percy Paris said any profits from the province's 49 per cent share of the company would go into provincial

coffers. But Dexter said the board, which will have one member from the province, could either decide to pay out any profits in dividends, retain them as earnings for a set period or use the money to reinvest in the company. The premier said the province would benefit under any of those scenarios.

"If the capital value of the company goes up because of reinvestment, then that means the 49 per cent share to the province increases in value," Dexter said. "The idea that the choice between dividends and investment

in the company is somehow a bad thing, I don't think really bears any real scrutiny."

Senior government officials have been downplaying the risks taxpayers face in the joint venture, which was announced last week. They've expressed confidence in Daewoo Shipbuilding as a strong partner with nearly \$11 billion US in revenues.

Nova Scotia has sunk \$60 million into the \$90-million deal that will see the company manufacture components for wind turbines, including support towers and rotor blades. Some \$40 million of that figure is comprised of various loans for capital and the purchase of the moth-balled plant's assets from its receivers.

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CRITICISM Nova Scotia Premier Darrell Dexter rejected the charge Thursday from Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil that the province had given Daewoo a "sweetheart deal." He said he believed there were great opportunities to come.

"I believe we got a deal that's beneficial to both DSME (Daewoo) and the province of Nova Scotia," Dexter said.

But McNeil dismissed Dexter's arguments, saying it wasn't a given that the venture would be a success.

"It appears the 49 per cent equity stake that we've taken in this company really doesn't mean anything other than the fact we'll be on the hook for any future losses ... and without any benefit of re-



"It appears the ... stake ... doesn't mean

anything other than the fact we'll be on the hook for any future losses."

Liberal Leader

Stephen McNeil

ceiving the profit if it's successful," McNeil said.

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Blood donation In memory of Mary-Beth



Registered nurse Georgina Millett gets Robbie Mosher ready for a donation at the annual blood-donor clinic in Mary-Beth Chaulk's memory on Thursday at the Canadian Blood Services building on Gottingen Street. Chaulk was killed four years ago after being hit by a car at a marked crosswalk.

Ontario man in court after police seize contraband cigarettes

CRIME A 45-year-old Ontario man appeared in Dartmouth provincial court Thursday after RCMP say they seized contraband smokes from a vehicle on Highway 102 near Miller Lake on Wednesday.

Police say members of

the RCMP Custom and Excise Enforcement Section in Halifax seized 800 cartons of contraband cigarettes, which represent 160,000 tobacco sticks.

The seizure originated, police say, when the inbound vehicle was stopped

for a motor-vehicle offence.

The man is charged under the Excise Act and the Provincial Revenue Act.

Police say the investigation is continuing and more charges are possible.

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Reebok donates Crosby reward money to charity

HOCKEY Reebok is taking the \$10,000 reward posted for Sidney Crosby's missing Olympic gear and sweetening it to make three charitable donations.

The reward went unclaimed since Hockey Canada found the glove and stick had been misplaced rather than stolen. But Reebok, which sponsors No. 87, is paying up anyway with separate \$8,700 donations to the Hockey Canada Foundation, USA Hockey's "Come Play Youth Hockey" program and the Sidney Crosby Foundation.

"Who knows, maybe the next Sidney Crosby will have the chance to play with our support," Len Rhodes, vice-president and general manager of Reebok-CCM Hockey, said in a statement Thursday. Said Crosby: "The sport



Sidney Crosby

of hockey has been a major part of my life, and I hope more kids have the chance to experience all the joy the game has given me."

Crosby's stick was located in Toronto as part of a shipment heading to the International Ice Hockey Federation. It had been sent in the mistaken belief that it was not the game stick used in the Olympic final.

The missing glove was discovered by Team Canada teammate Patrice Bergeron. The players sat beside each other in the dressing room and one of Crosby's gloves was inadvertently placed in Bergeron's equipment bag.

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News in brief

GUNS Two males and two females are facing charges after Halifax RCMP say they seized two loaded handguns from a residence on Cole Harbour Road Thursday. Police say they found a nine-millimetre

and a 22-calibre, both with bullets in them. The males aged 25 and 18 and females aged 19 and 23 were to be remanded in police custody overnight and appear in Dartmouth provincial court Friday.

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Authorities are investigating the cause of yet another suspicious fire in Cape Breton. Police and firefighters were called to a house in Glace Bay just after 8 p.m. Wednesday. There was no one home at the time of the blaze, which caused extensive damage to the interior of the building. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Bail hearing set in Horne killing

COURT A decision should come down Friday on whether the woman accused of first-degree murder in the killing of Jennifer Horne will receive bail.

A bail hearing is set for Friday at Nova Scotia Supreme Court in Halifax for Ashley Haley, one of two people accused in the killing of Horne 39 months ago. The Crown is opposed to Haley's release.

Haley and her common-law partner Desmond Maguire are each facing first-degree murder charges in the death of Horne, a 20-year-old Cole Harbour woman found dead in their apartment Dec. 31, 2007.

Both Haley and Maguire have been in jail since being arrested.

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News in brief

CONTRACT Part-time faculty at Saint Mary's University have ratified a new contract. The deal for more than 200 workers includes a wage increase of 2.9 per cent in the first year and two per cent in the final two years of the contract retroactive from Sept. 1, 2009, to Aug. 31, 2012.

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Tap into local water: Group

Clean Nova Scotia wants people to consider bottled water costs

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for Metro Halifax

A new annual event is aiming to convince Haligonians to forgo bottled water and love their taps.

Clean Nova Scotia hosted Halifax's first annual Bottled Water Free Day Thursday at Grand Parade in the city's downtown. Volunteers handed out reusable water bottles to passersby in exchange for their signature on an "I Love Halifax Tap Water" poster.

According to Clean Nova Scotia spokeswoman Shelley Bellafontaine, HRM's clean tap water is a viable alternative to environmentally costly plastic water bottles.

"We want to encourage citizens to consider drinking our excellent quality tap water ... as an alternative to buying bottled water," she said. "We're not anti-consumerism concerning the water bottle industry, but what we want people to consider is the cost to the environment."



Moe Ghalayeni signs a banner Thursday after receiving a reusable water bottle at Grand Parade during the first annual Bottled Water Free Day promotion.

Bellafontaine said the environmental cost of bottled water may be larger than people realize.

"It takes petroleum products to create a plastic water bottle ... (and) transportation costs are incurred to

get that bottle to market," said Bellafontaine. "So the greenhouse gas emissions that are released as a result of getting a bottle to market can be prohibitive."

Bellafontaine also noted the personal economic

costs of buying bottled water.

Sydney native Pat Almon concurs.

"Why buy water when it comes out of the tap anyway? It's like paying for it twice," she said.

Tips released for deterring coyotes

PRECAUTIONS A record amount of calls regarding coyote sightings across Nova Scotia has prompted the province's department of natural resources to release what it refers to as a reminder on how to discourage the animal from coming near your home.

Some precautions include keeping property free of unsecured garbage, making sure compost bins are secured and having small pets indoors or supervised when on a leash.

If a person encounters a coyote, the department advises to not feed, touch or photograph the animal, remain calm and back away slowly. If the animal shows signs of aggression, it's suggested you act bigger and stronger. Should the animal attack you, the department suggests fighting back aggressively.

Department biologist Mike O'Brien advised the risk of being attacked and injured from coyotes is "extremely low."

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Day off, but not for snow

Kids at one school received an unexpected day off Thursday. Bedford South School was closed because of a malfunction with the school's boiler. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Patch is what Brier's 'all about'

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Where there's curling, there's drinking.

In local clubs it's known as a sport you can play competently with beer in hand. Things are different for the players in the Brier, but the fans more than make up for it.

That's why there's the massive, 1,700-capacity bar known as the Brier Patch.

"The patch is what the Brier is all about. The curling is what brings us here, the patch is what makes the fun," said Bruce Caravan of Deer Lake, N.L.

It can be a dangerous temptation to curlers. Northern Ontario avoided the patch this week and now they're surprising playoff

contenders. Go figure.

"As long as we're playing well, the patch is going to be something we stay away from," said skip Brad Jacobs. "It's tough to go in there and not get carried away, to tell you the truth. It's a lot of fun in there. Everyone's dancing, laughing and having a good time."

How much traffic the rest of the Halifax bar scene has managed to snag is debatable during the eight-day event.

The Grant family's Mid-town Tavern, which famously moved down the road to outside the Metro Centre last

year, has been a big winner. Customers are lined up out the door in the breaks between draws.

"It's ridiculously way better than not having the Brier," said Colin Grant.

"The people are amazing. They're the most friendly and nice people in the whole world."

But as nearby as Argyle Street, with the looming Chronicle Herald building destruction, bar workers said they haven't seen a big difference.

The Economy Shoe Shop had a great first few days, but Tuesday and Wednesday were a bit slower than normal. The Carleton bartender Ian Black said most people seem to be staying at the patch.

"We're getting a few, it's certainly not hurting us, but it's not a massive difference," he said.

RCMP say thanks to Halifax

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for Metro Halifax

COP SHOP The Halifax RCMP opened their doors to thank the community for supporting them in the debate over policing in HRM.

Open houses were held in the Sackville, Cole Harbour and Tantallon detachments on Thursday afternoon. Sackville detachment supervisor Cpl. Angela Corscadden said the events were meant to bring the police and the community together.

"It's an opportunity ... for the members of Sackville detachment to say thank you to the community who supported us," she said.

"And an opportunity for the community to ask questions, if they had any

residual questions."

Halifax regional council recently scrapped a Board of Police Commissioners' recommendation to expand Halifax Regional Police to the entire municipality. Currently, HRM has an integrated model of policing, with HRP in the urban core and the RCMP patrolling outlying areas.

The recommendation was met with very vocal resistance in the communities currently served by the RCMP, as well as both rural and urban councillors.

Corscadden said the support from the community was "overwhelming."

"It's quite empowering

for the police officers to be receiving the thanks and greetings from the public," she said.

"(It was) very pleasing, very favourable, and very gratifying. We know that we have positive approval ratings; we know that we do a good job. It's just nice to have that reinforced."

John MacMullin, who was a resident in the Cape Breton Regional Municipality when they opted to drop the Mounties in 2000, said HRM has the best of both worlds with the HRP and RCMP.

"We have a perfect model, one balanced off with the other," said MacMullin, who splits his time between Sydney and Halifax.

"And if we have a crisis here, we have outside resources that are going to come in to help us."

Board will see municipality over tire recycling contract

TALKS Nova Scotia's Resource Recovery Fund Board has agreed to meet with the Guysborough District Municipality to discuss a tire recycling contract awarded last fall.

The board gave the contract that includes payment of up to \$1.95 a tire to Halifax C and D Recycling.

That's 65 cents more per tire than a proposal submitted by the Guysborough

District Municipality.

Guysborough Warden Lloyd Hines says the municipality was shocked when the contract was awarded.

He notes that the board of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities is looking for a review of the contract process.

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Plea date set for wrong-way driver

COURT A Nova Scotia woman facing charges after police found a driver on the wrong side of a divided highway near Sackville has a May 7 date set for a plea hearing.

Pauline Smith, 46, of Port Hawkesbury made a court appearance this week.

Smith faces charges of impaired driving and refusing the breathalyzer.

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A delegation from First Nations University of Canada has been told Ottawa won't restore \$7 million in annual funding to the Saskatchewan-based institution. Last month, Indian Affairs Minister Chuck Strahl said he'd waited long enough for the university to reform itself and would halt funding after the end of the fiscal year on March 31. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Surgeon gets reprieve

Dr. Barbara Heartwell, a surgeon suspended after performing unnecessary mastectomies, will return to the operating room. After a five-hour meeting, she has had her operating privileges reinstated at Hôtel-Dieu Grace Hospital in Windsor.

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Auditor doubts Tory budget aims

POLITICS Unless the economy outperforms expectations, the only way the Tory government can meet its longer-term deficit-reduction goals will be to slash programs or raise taxes, says parliamentary budget officer Kevin Page.

His analysis casts doubt on the government's claim that by reducing federal spending, Ottawa can wipe out most of its current \$54-billion deficit in five years.

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TV wants to cover man's lost 34 hours

INQUEST News outlets were to be in court Friday to argue that an inquest into the death of a homeless man should be televised so as many people as possible can watch it.

Brian Sinclair, a double amputee, died of a preventable bladder infection after a 34-hour wait in a hospital emergency room in September 2008.

The inquest is scheduled



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for later this year in a Winnipeg court.

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Law change may add 45,000 to Indian registry



Indian Affairs Minister Chuck Strahl defends Indian status legislation in the Commons Thursday.

Ottawa plans to give status to grandchildren

The federal government has introduced legislation to extend formal Indian status to the grandchildren of aboriginal women who married non-natives.

The change could add as many as 45,000 people to the Indian registry.

The bill, introduced in the Commons Thursday by Indian Affairs Minister Chuck Strahl, is in response to a 2009 B.C. court judgment that ruled a law denying Indian status to

"It's a very narrow response to the B.C. court decision."

Jean Crowder

the grandchildren was discriminatory.

"This legislation provides an excellent opportunity to address long-standing gender discrimination related to Indian registration," Strahl said.

The B.C. Court of Appeal gave Ottawa a deadline of

April 6, 2010, to change the law.

The government has applied for an extension to push that deadline to the end of the current parliamentary session.

NDP critic Jean Crowder said her party will support the bill, although she said it doesn't address broader native questions.

"It's a very narrow response to the B.C. court decision; they did what they minimally had to do," she said.

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About 550 employees at the Siemens Energy gas turbine plant in Hamilton, Ont. are set to lose their jobs as the German industrial conglomerate relocates the facility to North Carolina. The jobs will be eliminated over the next 12 to 18 months and the facility, which manufactures large-scale gas turbines, will be closed in July 2011. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

'We want to see your face'

In the struggle to integrate newcomers to Canada, Quebec has distanced itself from other provinces with its hardline stand against religious face coverings, which is likely to earn it a reputation as either a far-sighted pioneer or intolerant loner.

Niqab

Like Quebec, Ontario also sponsors language courses for immigrants. But unlike Quebec, newcomers to Ontario are allowed face coverings, such as a niqab, in their courses.

Provincial governments in the rest of the country appear leery about setting rules limiting access to public services for people who wear certain forms of religious attire, as Quebec did earlier this week.

Immigration Department officials in the province expelled a Muslim woman from government-sponsored language classes after she refused to remove her niqab, a Muslim face covering that reveals only the eyes.

It was the second time

the Quebec government confronted the woman, prompting Immigration Minister Yolande James to declare: "If you want to assist at (attend) our classes, if you want to integrate into Quebec society, here are our values."

"We want to see your face."

Not so in other parts of the country.

"We are an open Ontario," said Indira

Naidoo-Harris, a spokeswoman for Ontario Citizenship and Immigration Minister Eric Hoskins. "We are committed to creating an open society where all Ontarians are respected."

That openness, however, is hypothetical. Naidoo-Harris said her department has never been faced with a case similar to the one in Quebec.

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Edmonton Baby Isaiah dies



Rebecca May holds baby Isaiah May in an undated family handout photo released Thursday. The brain-injured baby whose parents dropped a court battle to keep him on life support died in their arms on Thursday.

News in brief

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS Gov. Brian Schweitzer said Thursday he is seeking U.S. government permission to import cheaper drugs from Canada for use in state insurance programs. Schweitzer said he thinks the move could chop 40 per cent

off the \$100 million the state spends each year on prescription drugs for Medicaid, the children's health insurance program, state employees, and inmates at the prison. The governor said he envisions the state setting up a deal with a Canadian

wholesaler that could mail the drugs to local pharmacies on insurance plans paid for by the state. In the case of the prison, the governor said he expects the state would order those directly.

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\$45K windfall coming for Ontario tax collectors

HST Provincial tax collectors have hit the HST jackpot.

The 1,251 Ontario employees are receiving up to \$45,000 in severance pay as their jobs transfer from the provincial ministry of revenue to the federal equivalent.

The move had the Ontario Progressive Conservatives screaming mad in the legislature Thursday.

Tory MPP Ted Arnott demanded to know why the employees were receiving a "hefty six-month severance package" for changing job titles.

"Apparently, they'll continue to work in the same office, they're not going to miss a day of work, and they're being paid up to \$45,000 to change their business cards," he said.

Ironically the Tories introduced the loophole for provincial employees when premier John Robarts was in power in January, 1970 — a fact that had Liberal Finance Minister Dwight Duncan chortling.

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Former construction union boss faces fraud and forgery charges

WARRANT An influential leader in a powerful construction union in Quebec is being sought on fraud and forgery charges.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Jocelyn Dupuis for crimes allegedly committed in 2007 and 2008 while he was at the helm of the Quebec Federation of Labour's influential construction wing.

Dupuis, 55, was the organization's director-general for 11 years before being forced to resign.

Dupuis, who is reportedly on vacation in Florida, is facing three charges — one each of fraud, forging documents and counselling another person to commit the forging of a document.

That alleged third offence wasn't carried out.

Quebec provincial police declined to comment.

In a statement, the construction wing says its current leadership handed over all the documents and bills to the Quebec provincial police in March 2009.

It reiterated that the current union administration faces no charges.

The Crown alleges Dupuis defrauded the construction wing of more than \$5,000 between Dec. 2, 2007, and Nov. 11, 2009.

He is also accused of producing 208 false documents related to 39 weekly expense accounts and 169 restaurant bills.

The Quebec Federation of Labour is the largest union in the province and its construction wing represents about 70,000 workers.

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International aid agency sounds alarm for Zimbabwe

The Red Cross pleaded for international funds for urgent aid to Zimbabwe, saying in a statement that an estimated 2.17 million people are in need of food. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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World

England Thumbing his snout at MPs



A British policeman guards a protester wearing a pig mask outside the Westminster Magistrates Court in London. The masked man was demonstrating against several parliamentarians who were in court facing charges of false accounting related to their expense claims.

New Chilean president's first day marred by quakes

The earth shook Thursday as dignitaries walked in for the swearing-in of Sebastian Pinera as Chile's president.

The president and his ministers then quickly swore their oaths, and the audience of 2,000 headed for the exits, joining an evacuation called out of concern that Thursday's repeated aftershocks would set off another tsunami.

Inauguration Day was peppered with more than a dozen significant aftershocks, amply demonstrating Pinera's challenges after last month's magnitude-8.8 quake, one of the biggest in modern history.

Chile's first elected right-wing president in 52 years won office promising to improve the economy. He

says he'll be the "reconstruction president." His advice to citizens: "Let's dry our tears and put our hands to work."

But relief efforts stalled Thursday as more than 10 earthquakes shook Chile in a span of six hours. The strongest, at 6.9, nearly matched the 7.0-magnitude quake that devastated Haiti on Jan. 12.

Pinera said there were no reports of more deaths, but a key highway suffered more damage in the inland city of Rancagua, and violent waves hit the coastal



towns of Pichilemu and Bucalemu, Interior Minister Rodrigo Hinzpeter said.

Pinera urged citizens to heed the Chilean navy's tsunami warning and seek higher ground. Then he made a show of normality, greeting other presidents for lunch at the Cerro Castillo summer palace, where he left them and boarded a helicopter to tour disaster areas.

The inauguration had lasted just 30 minutes, marked by three of the aftershocks. One prompted Colombia's Alvaro Uribe to leave the hall for several minutes. Outgoing president Michelle Bachelet sat unperturbed as a nearby flower arrangement rocked back and forth.

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News in brief

TECHNOLOGY British officials say they're pressuring Facebook to make a "panic button" available on its Web pages following the murder of a teenager by a man she met on the popular social networking site. Calls for Facebook to the one-click button, which can allow children to get immediate police help if they suspect they're at risk, intensified following the kidnap, rape and murder of 17-year-old Ashleigh Hall. Her killer, Peter Chapman, used a bogus Facebook identity to befriend her online. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Thai capital prepares for protest

RALLY Bangkok braced for possible violence as anti-government demonstrators prepared Friday to launch what they hope will be one of the country's biggest protests ever, aiming to force Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva to call new elections.

Leaders of the United Front for Democracy Against Dictatorship —

called the Red Shirts because of their hall-mark garb — have vowed to keep their "Million-man march" non-violent.

The group's last major protest in Bangkok in April 2009 deteriorated into rioting that saw two people killed, and more than 120 people injured. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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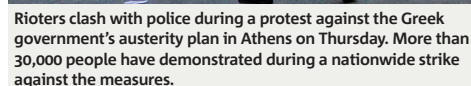
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12 world Religious language to stay in Pledge of Allegiance, on currency
A federal appeals court upheld the use of the words “under God” in the Pledge of Allegiance and “In God We Trust” on U.S. currency yesterday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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TD chief economist to retire

TD Bank chief economist Don Drummond plans to retire at the end of June. The bank says Drummond will be succeeded by Craig Alexander, who is currently TD's deputy chief economist. Drummond will assist in the transition of Alexander into the role, and will continue to work as an adviser to TD Bank. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Student? File your taxes

Available credits make it worth the effort

Most students wouldn't place taxes at the top of their to-do list, when hammering out essays and cramming for exams demands pretty much their full attention.

But filing a tax return has its perks — even if the task seems daunting.

Students who have little or no income may wonder

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whether it's worthwhile to even file a return if they don't owe anything to the

tax man.

For one thing, at age 19 Canadians become eligible to collect a quarterly GST/HST credit, which lasts for however long they remain in a low tax bracket. But no cheques will come in the mail if the government doesn't have your tax information on hand.

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Economy ready to grow: RBC

GDP A new forecast from RBC Economics says Canada's economy is poised for real GDP growth of 3.1 per cent this year and 3.9 per cent in 2011.

It says a peak in stimulus investment, improved credit markets and a recovery in consumer spending are fuelling the increase.

Chief economist Craig Wright says a recovery is "solidly taking root in Canada" also due to low interest rates and improved credit markets. He says strength in the housing market and investment by the private sector should provoke additional economic growth.

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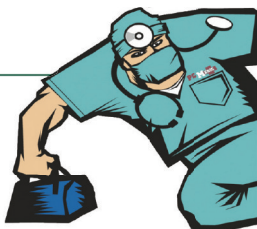
Shark fins **Endangered delicacy**



A woman walks past shark fins displayed at a dried seafood shop in Hong Kong. A UN body is considering proposals to regulate the shark trade and ban the export of a tuna species prized by sushi lovers, in a meeting starting Saturday in Doha, Qatar. At least four shark species have seen their numbers drop dramatically since the 1980s, due to rising demand for shark fin soup.

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It's a different view from the top

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Stephen Kimber

It's difficult to comprehend how a politician seemingly in such perfect harmony with the populist political zeitgeist eight months ago could have become so cynical-clangingly tone deaf so quickly.

Darrell Dexter got himself elected premier by

channelling Coffee-at-the-Tims Everyman. He was like us, only smarter. We could — and did — trust him.

We forgave him for lying to us during the election campaign because ... well, we wanted to be lied to. It helped get us over the emotional hump of turfing out a government that deserved to go in order to vote for a bunch of untied, are-they-really-socialist New Democrats.

That the current MLA expenses excesses have become such a sticking scandal shows just how badly Dexter has stumbled.

When the auditor general's report broke in January, Dexter could — rightly — have argued he'd already begun reforming the system, that his party's fall legislative package — which banned corporate and union donations, eliminated over-generous allowances for departing and defeated MLAs and sliced computer expenses for members — was a strong first step. And more change was on the way...

The fact the premier was out of town — on vaca-

tion, at the Olympics, at a premier's meeting in Washington — as the

messy stories seeped, spilled and ultimately flooded into the public prints made for awkward optics.

Even that could have been managed. We don't expect our premier to sit, quill in hand, puzzling over the minutiae of legislation. He had given the orders; we could judge the results when the legislation was tabled. Besides, his response was the correct one. I wasn't the pre-



Darrell Dexter

mier who started the system, but I will be the one to put an end to it.

But then came news the NDP had failed to return \$45,000 in illicit union contributions Dexter himself — during the dying days of last June's campaign — claimed had been returned.

And then it emerged that Dexter — whose expensive tastes in electronics and a briefcase raised eyebrows — had been billing the public purse for his \$3,800 annual bar society fees.

Pre-premier Dexter would have immediately

understood how that would play down at Tims, mea culpa-ed and moved on. The New Darrell tried to justify it all. By the time he finally gave up and gave in Wednesday, he'd used up all the political capital he'd accumulated over a decade in opposition.

Just in time to deliver a very bad-news budget that will require all the political capital he's squandered — and much more.

We are in for interesting times.

Stephen Kimber, the Rogers Communications Chair in Journalism at the University of Kings College, is the author of eight books.

Views

Keeping your plastic fantastically safe

Marketplace



Erica Johnson

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There's a good chance you've had that call from your bank or credit card company telling you your credit card has been compromised and you need a new one. That happened to me two months ago. And when I asked the customer service rep how my card was stolen, she mentioned thieves stealing the information off computers.

It's kind of ironic, because at Marketplace that was just the story we were working on — the newest way crooks are stealing

your debit and credit card numbers. They're called "smash-and-grab" thieves — they drive through store doors, or smash through restaurant windows — and make off with a hard drive attached to the point-of-sale terminal (where they swipe your card).

Why? Because we've learned that hundreds — even thousands — of debit and credit card numbers can remain stored on the computer hard drive. Even after it's supposedly been wiped clean.

The crooks are hitting small outlets and major chains alike. So we've put together a few tips to protect your plastic.

Whenever possible, pay cash. It might seem a bit Dark Ages, but every expert we talked to told us they don't trust point-of-sale ter-

minals (or those smaller hand-held debit machines).

If you must pay with plastic, security experts we talked to suggest you don't use your debit card. Pull out your credit card because any fraudulent charges are guaranteed to be reimbursed by the credit card company.

Check your credit card statements carefully. Confirm you made all the purchases. If there's something on the statement you can't account for, call your credit card company immediately (then document the date and time you called and the name of the person who handled your call).

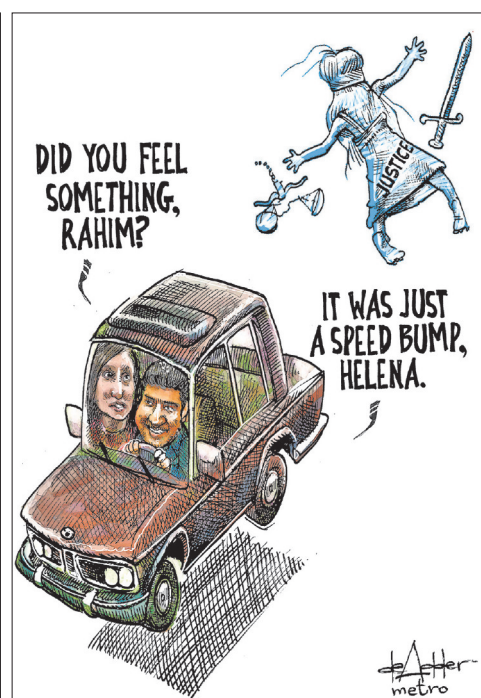
If you have concerns, ask the retailer how they ensure your information is secure. Do they wipe the hard drive clean every night? Of course, in our research, we

discovered that even though companies thought their terminals were safe, they weren't. But asking makes the point that you care about how your information is handled.

If your card does get compromised, ask the bank where and how your information was stolen. Unlike in the U.S., there's no law in Canada forcing the banks to cough up that information — but the more that people demand to know, the greater the pressure on banks to inform customers (versus protecting the merchant).

Find out what crooks do with your credit card information Friday on Marketplace at 8:30.

Erica Johnson is a co-host of CBC News: Marketplace, which airs each Friday at 8:30 p.m. on CBC Television.



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Tim Hortons Brier



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Gushue faces daunting odds

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Brad Gushue will have to take the road less travelled if he wants to win the Brier title that has eluded him in six previous attempts.

The Newfoundland and Labrador skip clinched a playoff spot at the Tim Hortons Brier on Thursday night at the Metro Centre, defeating Quebec's Sergei Reid 8-2 to finish fourth overall with an 8-3 record.

The odds are daunting from here. The 29-year-old is up against Alberta's Kevin Koe in the win-or-go-home 3-4 Page playoff game on Saturday at noon. Since the Page playoff system was implemented in 1995, no one has won the Brier via the 3-4 game.

"You've got to beat three really good teams — that's tough to do," Gushue said of his predicament. "But eventually someone's gonna do it and hopefully it's going to be us this

time. It's got to happen ... I think we're due."

Despite his solid record and a spot in the playoffs, it's been an up-and-down week for Gushue and teammates Mark Nichols, Jamie Korab and Ryan Fry.

Gushue, who won a gold medal with Nichols and Korab at the 2006 Winter Olympics in Italy, has been critical of himself and his teammates at various times throughout the week and has expressed discontent with the group's reliance on lower-probability shot-making.

But Thursday's win over Quebec was resounding. Gushue curled 98 per cent and earned a huge cheer when he executed an open draw for three in the third end to grab a 5-1 lead. It was a bounce-back show-

ing after an 8-4 loss to Northern Ontario's Brad Jacobs in the morning.

"We're feeling as good as we could based on the way it went earlier today," Gushue said.

Gushue, who suggested this could be "the worst we've played" at a Brier, admitted to being a perfectionist.

"My teammates know that," he said. "That's why they love me and that's why

they hate me." Koe, a World Curling Tour star who is making his Brier debut, beat Gushue 7-6 in the round robin and finished with an 8-3 record.

"We've played (Gushue) lots and we actually have a really good record against him," Koe said. "He's playing good this week, so it's probably a toss-up come (Saturday)."

"You've got to beat three really good teams — that's tough to do."

Brad Gushue, describing his rink's current position



Newfoundland and Labrador skip Brad Gushue contemplates his shot against Northern Ontario at the Brier in Halifax on Thursday morning.

BRIER GLANCE

Results after Draw 17 on Thursday from the 2010 Tim Hortons Brier at the MetroCentre.

PROVINCE (SKIP)	W	L
x-Ontario (G.Howard)	11	0
x-Northern Ont. (Jacobs)	9	2
x-Alberta (K.Koe)	8	3
x-N.L. (Gushue)	8	3
Manitoba (Stoughton)	7	4
Quebec (Reid)	5	6
Saskatchewan (McKee)	4	7
B.C. (Richard)	4	7
New Brunswick (Grattan)	3	8
N.S. (FITZNER-LEBLANC)	3	8
P.E.I. (MacDonald)	3	8
NWT/Yukon (L.Koe)	1	10

x — clinched playoff berth.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

DRAW 15
Alberta 8 Yukon/Northern Terr. 3
British Columbia 8 New Brunswick 7 (extra end)
Manitoba 9 Nova Scotia 3
Northern Ontario 8 Newfoundland & Labrador 4

DRAW 16
Manitoba 7 Saskatchewan 6 (extra end)
Northern Ontario 9 Quebec 3
Ontario 9 Yukon/Northern Terr. 3
Prince Edward Island 9 New Brunswick 4

DRAW 17
Newfoundland & Labrador 8 Quebec 2
P.E.I. 6 British Columbia 3
Ontario 7 Alberta 6
Nova Scotia 8 Saskatchewan 7

FRIDAY'S GAME

PAGE PLAYOFFS
Ontario vs. Northern Ontario, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

PAGE PLAYOFFS
Three vs. Four
Alberta vs. Newfoundland & Labrador, 12 p.m.

SEMIFINAL
One-Two Loser vs. Three-Four Winner, 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S GAME

CHAMPIONSHIP
One-Two Winner vs. Semifinal Winner, 8 p.m.

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Mayflower rink finishes with win

GOODBYE Nova Scotia's Ian Fitzner-LeBlanc is leaving the Tim Hortons Brier a winner.

The 25-year-old Mayflower skip, along with teammates Stuart MacLean, Kent Smith and Phil Crowell, wrapped up his first career Brier on Thursday night with an 8-7 win over Saskatchewan's Darrell McKee, earning a standing ovation from the crowd of 5,992 and giving him a 3-8 record overall.

"It's really, really nice to be able to finish with a win," Fitzner-LeBlanc said. "To be 25, chillin' in the Brier and getting a standing ovation ... I'll take that any day."

METRO HALIFAX

'We're just getting better and better': Glenn Howard

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ROUNDUP The 81st Tim Hortons Brier has trumpeted itself as a "shore thing."

But if a sure thing exists, it's Glenn Howard.

It's an apt label for the 12-time Brier veteran and three-time champion through six days of action at the Metro Centre, as the Ontario skip from

Coldwater completed the round robin on Thursday night with a perfect 11-0 record after a narrow 7-6 victory over Alberta's Kevin Koe.

Howard will face Northern Ontario's Brad Jacobs in the 1-2 Page playoff game on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and will advance to Sunday's final with a win and to Saturday's semifinal with a loss.

"It feels great," the 47-year-old said.

"What I liked the best is, we started a little slow, but we're just getting better and better. My guys are making everything and it's just a great feeling from a confidence perspective for all four of us."

It's the third straight year a Glenn Howard



Glenn Howard

ta's Kevin Martin parlaying that into a national title the past two years.

Jacobs, the youngest skip at the Brier at age 24, is the surprise of the week.

He wasn't even born the last time Northern Ontario won the Brier in 1985 yet he has led his Sault Ste. Marie four-

playoff spot in 17 years.

"We wanted to represent Northern Ontario as well as we could and I think we've done a pretty good job of that so far," Jacobs said.

Howard, whose lone Brier win as a skip came in 2007, beat Jacobs 9-4 on opening day, but called him "unflappable" and said he's "making a ton of shots."

"We're got our hands full," he said.

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Northwest Territories lead Martin Gavin, centre, throws a rock in a match against PEI during the 2010 Tim Hortons Brier on Monday. Gavin lives in Halifax but is currently working in Yellowknife.

Talk about one long commute

Martin Gavin might have the worst commute in Canada.

If Google maps are taken at face value, it would take the civil engineer three days and seven hours to drive from his home in Halifax to his job in Yellowknife, give or take a bathroom break.

In reality, and if he is lucky, it only takes him about 13 hours and three flights to get from where he works, repairing a toxic gold mine, to his family in Halifax, where he has been this week as a member of the Northwest/Yukon territories rink at the Brier.

It has been an admittedly rare trip home.

"It would be quicker to go to Germany than it would be to Yellowknife," Gavin said with a smirk.

The 43-year-old married father of two moved across the continent more than a year ago to become manager of the Giant Mine Remediation Project, overseeing an operation in which tonnes of arsenic trioxide

— rat poison, basically — have been stored underground about 10 minutes away from the downtown core. There is, obviously, plenty of work to be done, which means he will likely be away for at least another year.

"It would be quicker to go to Germany than it would be to Yellowknife."

Martin Gavin

Gavin has taught himself to play the drums in his empty time away from the office. And he has also been curling, throwing stones at a local rink over his lunch hour. Both pursuits are largely hollow distractions from the homesickness.

"It's very difficult," he said. "It's lots of lonely days and lonely nights."

Gavin, who estimates he usually only makes it home once every eight weeks, is set to return to work March 21, after spending spring break with his family.

"I'm going to be more homesick when I go back this time," he said. "There will probably be a few tears shed on the way back."

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Colley named to rookie team

Saint Mary's Huskies point guard Justine Colley, left, of East Preston was named to Canadian Interuniversity Sport's all-rookie team yesterday. Halifax's Alise Brown of the Acadia Axewomen was a second-team all-Canadian. **METRO HALIFAX**

Panther-wounds still fresh on Huskies

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Joey Haywood and the Saint Mary's Huskies know better than to take the P.E.I. Panthers lightly.

The third-seeded Huskies, who are chasing their second Atlantic University Sport men's basketball title in three years this weekend in Sydney, open the Final 6 on Friday with a quarter-final matchup against the sixth-seeded Panthers.

The wound is still fresh from last year's quarter-final upset loss to the Panthers.

"It was a bad feeling," said Haywood, the Huskies' starting point guard who earned his second straight AUS first-team all-star selection yesterday. "Everyone on our team

knows we don't want to feel like that again, going home right after the first round. It was terrible."

Haywood will be a big key if the Huskies are to have success. The six-foot-one Vancouver native is coming off an outstanding sophomore season that saw him win his second straight scoring title. He averaged 24.4 points per game and posted the highest AUS single-season point total in more than a decade.

Nicknamed King Handles, the 25-year-old has always been known for his ball-handling ability. But he spent the summer working on his jump-shot and it paid off.

He led the AUS with a .484 three-point average and shot .578 from two-point range — astonishing numbers for a guard and a

Final 6 sked

Schedule for the Atlantic University Sport Final 6 men's basketball championship this weekend in Sydney:

• **Friday**
Quarter-finals: (4) Dalhousie vs. (5) Acadia, 6 p.m.; (3) Saint Mary's vs. (6) P.E.I., 8:15 p.m.

significant improvement from his rookie campaign.

"A lot of guys were going to come at me defensively (after a big rookie year)," Haywood said. "People think I want to attack all the time ... But when I shoot the ball more, they play up on me more, and I can go right by them. So I have more options now."

The core of the Huskies is the same as it was last year, with senior first-team all-star Mark McLaughlin joining Haywood in the

• **Saturday**
Semifinals: (1) Cape Breton vs. lowest remaining seed, 6 p.m.; (2) St. F.X. vs. highest remaining seed, 8:15 p.m.

• **Sunday**
Final: Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

backcourt and fifth-year forward Ikeobi Uchebgu in the paint.

Although the Huskies went 14-6 and were unable to keep pace with the 18-2 Cape Breton Capers and St. Francis Xavier X-Men, they've won five of their past six and took down the X-Men 87-79 in Antigonish last weekend.

"I'm confident, coach is confident and everyone's confident we can take the AUS title right now," said Haywood.



Saint Mary's Joey Haywood earned his second straight AUS first-team all-star selection yesterday.

Tiger won't be back before Masters: Sources

GOLF Tiger Woods intends to remain out of golf at least until the Masters, two people with knowledge of his plans have told The Associated Press.

Woods has been practising at Isleworth near his Orlando home the last two weeks, and swing coach Hank Haney flew there during the weekend to work with him. That led to speculation Thursday he was close to playing again.

The two people, who spoke on condition of anonymity because only Woods is supposed to release such information, say he is likely to play

first at Augusta National in April.

The only other time Woods played a major after such a long layoff was the 2006 U.S. Open at Winged Foot, when he was out nine weeks coping with his father's death. That's where he missed the cut for the first time at a major.



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Woods has not played since Nov. 15, when he won the Australian Masters in Melbourne for his 82nd career victory. Twelve days later, he crashed his SUV into a tree near his Florida home, setting off shocking revelations that he had been cheating on his wife.

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Sports in brief

MOOSE The Halifax Mooseheads are stumbling toward the finish line. With the QMJHL season winding down, the Mooseheads lost their 11th straight game on Thursday night, falling 5-2 on the road to the Bathurst Titan. The Mooseheads haven't won since Feb. 10. Linden Bahm and Gabriel Desjardins scored in the loss and Peter Delmas was under siege in a 51-save outing. The club is already guaranteed to finish last in the QMJHL and with the lowest win and point totals in their 16-year history. The Mooseheads play the Titan again on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and wrap up the season in Charlottetown on Sunday at 4 p.m. against the P.E.I. Rocket.

RAINMEN The Halifax Rainmen will look to snap a two-game losing streak when they visit the two-time defending Premier Basketball League champion Rochester RazorSharks on Saturday at 3 p.m. The Rainmen, 9-4, have lost on the road the past two weeks to the Vermont Frost Heaves and Quebec Kebs, a pair of sub-.500 teams. They have fallen to fourth in the PBL standings.

CIS The Saint Mary's Huskies open the Canadian Interuniversity Sport women's hockey championship on Friday against the Montreal Carabins. Game time is 4 p.m. in Antigonish. The Huskies also face the McGill Martlets on Saturday at 4 p.m. **METRO HALIFAX**

Halifax's Upshaw named MVP

AUS BASKETBALL Halifax's Christian Upshaw has earned his second straight Atlantic University Sport men's basketball MVP award.

The point guard became the first repeat MVP winner since Saint Mary's Huskies forward Gabe Goree did it in 2003-04. He was third in AUS scoring with 19.5 points per game and led the X-Men to a second-place record of 18-2. Upshaw was also named to the AUS first all-star team along with Saint Mary's Huskies guards Joey Haywood and Mark McLaughlin and Dalhousie Tigers guard Simon Farine. **METRO HALIFAX**

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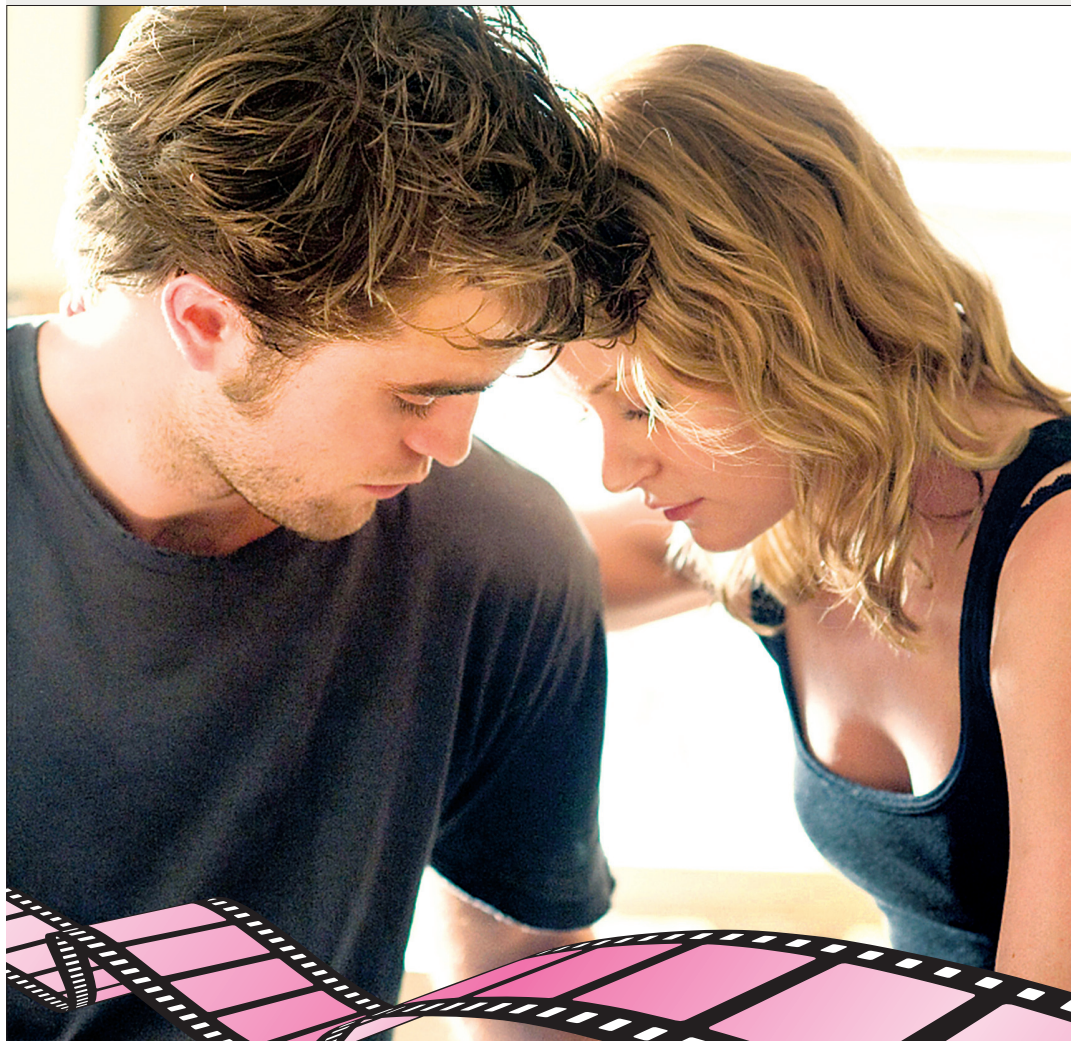
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The less said about Robert Pattinson and Emile de Ravin latest film, the better, according to our reviewer.

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Atwood joins Hockey

ROLE Canadian literary icon Margaret Atwood says she's joined the star-packed cast of the film, *Score: A Hockey Musical*.

The writer blogs about a recent day on set that saw her hanging out with retired NHL'r Eddie Shack and Theo Fleury, musician Dan Hill, and hockey dad Walter Gretzky.

Atwood says she plays herself in a brief cameo, and sings.

The film stars Toronto's

Noah Reid as a teenage hockey phenom, and features *Grease* star Olivia Newton-John and Canadian musician Marc Jordan as his parents.

Other previously announced stars who've signed on to the project include pop star Nelly Furtado, who plays a zealous hockey fan, and musicians Dave Bidini and Hawksley Workman.

Score: A Hockey Musical is set for release Oct. 22.

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Remember acting, not twist

Remember Me

Director: Allen Coulter
Stars: Robert Pattinson, Pierce Brosnan, Emilie de Ravin
Classification: 14A
Rating: ●●●●

NED EHRBAR
 Metro World News

The new Robert Pattinson vehicle, *Remember Me*, is basically *Ordinary People* updated for the *Death Cab for Cutie* set, with a big "twist" ending that some will see coming from the first 10 minutes.

The problem is the twist adds nothing to the characters or story, really, and comes off feeling like a cheap gotcha move. The less said about it, the better.

On the other hand, perhaps the best thing about the movie is that watching it, all the hype about Twilight hunk Pattinson finally makes sense, since he's finally been given something to do besides mope and sparkle.

He stars as college student Tyler Hawkins, the now-oldest child of a rich New York City family fractured by tragedy.



Robert Pattinson and Emilie de Ravin turn up the romantic heat in *Remember Me*.

On the web

Total Eclipse of the heart:
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of the *Twilight* Saga, at metronews.ca/movies

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tured by tragedy.

Some might find his performance a little overdone in spots, but it perfectly captures the emotional confusion of that age.

Under somewhat false

pretenses, he starts dating fellow student Ally (Emilie de Ravin), also from a family fractured by tragedy, though much lower down the financial totem pole. The film is as much de

Ravin's as it is Pattinson's, and she is lovely.

Pierce Brosnan, Chris Cooper and Lena Olin turn in strong supporting performances as the parents of the young lovers. The course of Tyler and Ally's relationship — and how they help each other heal their respective families' wounds — is nicely told and affecting.

It's just a shame the filmmakers couldn't leave it at that.

League's vulgarity straight from heart

She's Out Of My League

Director: Jim Field Smith
Stars: Jay Baruchel, Alice Eve
Classification: 14A
Rating: ●●●●

STEVE GOW
 for Metro Canada

REVIEW Every now and again you witness a guy dating a woman who is far too gorgeous for him and you ponder, "why would she be

with that dude?"

Now first-time director Jim Field Smith aims to answer that very conundrum with his better-than-it-looks comedy, *She's Out Of My League*.

Starring Montreal's Jay Baruchel in his first big-budget leading role, the Knocked Up scene-stealer capitalizes on his lanky structure and geeky demeanour as Kirk, a humble airport employee who reluctantly meets a blonde beauty (Alice Eve) when she leaves her iPhone at airport

security.

However, even though a natural attraction develops between the pair, Kirk and his misguided slacker buddies nay-say the seduction into submission, saddled mostly by Kirk's ultimate disbelief that he could land a "hard 10."

A familiar storyline that could've easily been forgettable, Smith smartly aims for the heart but goes for the groin by punctuating a formulaic film with seat-squirming indecency. Following the similar gross-out

style mastered by the Farrelly Brothers, the most memorable moments of *League* come courtesy of excruciating sequences involving guys' genital grooming and premature ejaculation.

If you can look beyond that level of vulgarity, this comedy reveals its true humanity. Which is what makes this a perfect launch pad for its star. With an awkward sensitivity, Baruchel expertly captures the loser that hides within all of us with a subtlety that's truly believable.

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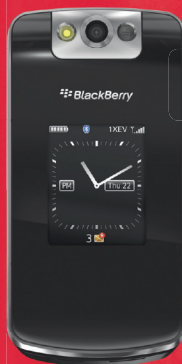


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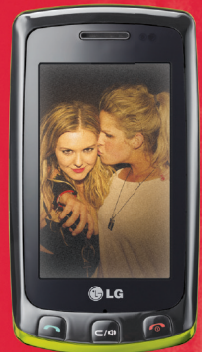
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Reel Time

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Matt Damon returns to action-hero mode in Green Zone.

Politics, action don't gel in Zone

Green Zone

Director: Paul Greengrass

Stars: Matt Damon, Greg Kinnear, Amy Ryan

Classification: 14A

Rating: ⚬⚬⚬⚬

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Green Zone is a curious new creation by the Bourne Ultimatum actor/director team of Matt Damon and Paul Greengrass.

The film wants to be both a complicated drama about the questionable motives behind the U.S. invasion of Iraq and a relentless action thriller.

Each element is done well in isolated sequences, but they are awkwardly shoehorned together into a two-hour running time that can barely contain all of the ideas and explosions.

Had the filmmakers focused on making either an intimate political drama or a popcorn action flick, this could have been an excellent film. Instead it's merely

a muddled, but interesting movie that should have been more.

Damon stars in action hero mode as a soldier whose missions to discover WMDs keep turning up empty despite constant casualties on both sides.

He tries to uncover the truth and learns that all of the intelligence reports are coming from questionable sources, the CIA doesn't seem to know what's going on, and a high profile American journalist is writing articles about an informant in Iraq who might not exist.

It's a big complicated mess, not unlike what really happened in Iraq.

But with consistent action beats coming every 15-20 minutes, it can be frustrating to slingshot from confusion to stylized battles.

The actors are well cast and the production is expertly executed, but something about the balance just doesn't seem right and it quickly becomes distracting.

Part of this comes down

to director Greengrass who creates films with an inordinate emphasis on realism.

Green Zone is shot with an endlessly shaking documentary-style camera and features an incredibly detailed production design that puts the audience in the heart of the battle.

But the plot is laid in such a conventional matter that it will often take viewers out of the immersive experience.

So much of Green Zone is done well that it's an impossible movie to hate, but it doesn't add up to more than a sum of its impressive parts.

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Eastwood aiming to direct Hoover biopic

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***** A CLASSIC; **** EXCELLENT; *** GOOD; ** FAIR; * POOR

Cattrall takes on political thriller

Sex and the City actress teams up with famed director Polanski for *The Ghost Writer*

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While she may be a star of one of those most well-known and successful franchises in TV and film history, *Sex and the City* star Kim Cattrall was still more than a little starstruck at the prospect of working for director Roman Polanski in his latest film, *The Ghost Writer*.

"It's unbelievable," she says, speaking to Metro by phone from London, where she's starring in Noel Coward's *Private Lives* in the West End. "My agent called me and said, 'Roman wants to talk to you.' I was like, 'What? Roman Polanski is going to call me. OK.'"

The stage and screen veteran found the equally celebrated and scandal-prone director charming. "He's incredibly witty and funny," she says.



Kim Cattrall plays Amelia Bly, the personal secretary to former British Prime Minister Adam Lang, in *The Ghost Writer*.

"He's got a cheeky sense of humour. He's also tough. Sometimes he seems impossible to please. But he's

a perfectionist, and perfectionists can drive you insane, but they can also inspire you to work incredi-

bly hard."

Cattrall insists she didn't mind Polanski's taskmaster tendencies. "The stakes

were high all the time. We would shoot some scenes initially in 40 minutes. If we didn't get it in 40 minutes within five or six takes, we weren't going to get the scene," she remembers. "It literally was like a machine, and he was the leader of it. It felt sometimes like going into battle, and he was our leader."

In *The Ghost Writer* — in theatres Friday — Cattrall plays Amelia Bly, the inscrutable personal secretary to former British Prime Minister Adam Lang (Pierce Brosnan). To prepare for the part, Cattrall went right to the source.

"I contacted someone in Gordon Brown's administration who'd basically done that," Cattrall says. "She was really helpful in

delving into Amelia Bly. This is a woman who really didn't have a personal life. Her life is Lang. She really is the wife. She sets everything in motion. Nothing moves without her."

And though she enjoys dramatic work such as *The Ghost Writer*, Cat-

trall says she's reveling in returning to comedy, both onstage in London and later this year in *Sex and the City 2* — though the theater has a distinct advantage.

"It's great to make people laugh. I did it on *Sex and the City*, but I didn't ever get to hear the laughter because it's on a DVD or TV, she insists. "But what's great about this show is it's instant. I love being in front of a live audience."

The Ghost Writer comes out next Friday

What's with the Viagra?

Our Family Wedding

Director: Rick Famuyiwa

Stars: America Ferrera, Lance Gross

Classification: PG

Rating: **

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

REVIEW In his new culture-clash comedy, *Our Family Wedding*, director Rick Famuyiwa tries to get beyond racial clichés by reveling in them. This, unfortunately, doesn't work at all.

Instead he presents an all-over-the-place muddle with a tone as mismatched as the cast, jumping between maudlin family moments and cheap gags involving Viagra and a goat.

The wedding of the title is between med school graduate Marcus (Lance Gross) and Lucia (America Ferrera), who've come back to Los Angeles to tell their families that they're dating, they're engaged and they're getting married in three weeks before Marcus heads off to work for Doctors Without Borders with Lucia in tow.

Oh, and Lucia has dropped out of law school. The audience is supposed to sympathize with the bland but likeable leads, but it's tough not to take the side of the



America Ferrera and Lance Gross star in *Our Family Wedding*.

shocked parents when bombshells are dropped in succession like that.

Their fathers (Forrest Whitaker and Carlos Mencia in one of the most unlikely and unsuccessful comedy pairings) butt heads as the families rally to put together a wedding that mixes both cultures, and it's really all downhill from there, culminating in the aforementioned goat — hopped up on

Viagra — sexually assaulting an Academy Award-winning actor.

It's unclear what Whitaker is doing here, especially when he's matched with Mencia, whose attempts at serious acting make it seem like his character is autistic.

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Courtney Love wants to talk. And she does — for almost two hours.

The occasion is the release of *Skinny Little B—*, the solid first single from *Nobody's Daughter*, the first Hole album since 1998's *Celebrity Skin*.

"The disaster record (her 2004 solo album, *America's Sweetheart*) didn't count any more than Mick Jagger should count *She's the Boss* (his 1985 solo bomb)."

Over the course of our conversation, which included countless stream-of-consciousness detours, unexpected tangents, name-drops and revelations, I learned the following:

- After a stint as a stripper in Japan in the early '80s, Courtney had designs on being a record producer. She dropped into Windmill Lane studios in

Dublin to drop off a resume ended up working with U2 on October for five days "before I was fired." She didn't mention why.

- She almost had Mariah Carey sing back-up on *Nobody's Daughter*, which would have required her to sing some interesting profanities. Sadly, it wasn't meant to be.

- Courtney didn't write a song for almost four years because she had become far too comfortable in her Beverly Hills home, but then she was hit with her own financial crisis.

"Frances (her daughter) getting me out

of L.A. was really good because I wasn't leaving the house. We had some very scary times. They froze my bank account. I had 120 bucks. I've been poor before — but maybe it's good with checking in to be poor because then you get hungry again." She sought out Duff McKagan (Guns 'N Roses, Velvet Revolver) for financial advice because he has an MBA and writes a financial column.

- Both she and husband Kurt Cobain disagreed on the choice of *Smells Like Teen Spirit* as the first single from *Nevermind*. They both wanted *In Bloom* while the record company initially wanted *Lithium*.

- Courtney is pressing ahead with the bio-pic on Kurt called *Heavier Than Heaven*. She knows who has been cast in the lead roles but she won't say anymore than that.

- She also has an idea for a Lollapalooza-like festival and is currently trying to enlist support from her circle of celebrity friends.

There's more — some of which you can hear for yourself at exploremusic.com — but it's going to take me a while to sort through the rest of the interview. *Nobody's Daughter* will finally be released April 27.

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Nobody's Daughter, the first album from Hole in 12 years, will be released on April 27.



A new Hendrix experience

Jimi Hendrix

Album: *Valleys of Neptune*

Label: Sony Music

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM
for Metro Canada

DON'T GET FOOLED by the hype. *Valleys of Neptune* is not the Hendrix holy grail. Not even close. While it is several notches above previous posthumous releases (*First Rays of the Rising Sun* excluded), *Valleys of Neptune* remains a compendium of outtakes and warm-up tracks. There is little here



that approaches the genius so evident in the albums released during Hendrix's all-too short life. The majority of these 12 studio tracks were recorded in the spring of 1969. It was a turbulent time for the Jimi Hendrix Experience. Bassist Noel Redding left part way through, replaced by Billy Cox.

Eddie Kramer, original soundman the Hendrix originals, has lovingly remastered the recordings, but still the magic isn't there.

There are three reworkings of songs dating from 1967's *Are You Experienced* — *Stone Free*, *Fire* and *Red House*. It's hard to imagine Hendrix, ever wanting them released. There is also

Hendrix's instrumental take on the Cream hit *Sunshine of Your Love*. Fans would like to point to this as proof Hendrix was better than Eric Clapton. There's no knockout punch here, though.

The fiery solos on the blues tracks *Hear My Train A Comin'* and *Ships Passing Through the Night* are the only real standouts.

Better news for Hendrix fans is Sony's release this week of remastered versions of the guitar wizard's core catalogue — *Are You Experienced*, *Axis: Bold as Love*, *Electric Ladyland*, *Band of Gypsys* and the posthumous *First Rays of the Rising Sun*. These repackaged works are must haves for Hendrix fans.

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Wintersleep frontman teams up with brother

ANDREW FIFIELD
Metro Canada

MUSIC It's been a couple years since Wintersleep's Weighty Ghost crashed on-to radio with thud, sending the band on tours to far flung places and opening gigs for the likes of Paul McCartney.

Weighty Ghost was pretty, um, heavy and frontman Paul Murphy's new project Postdata — recorded with his brother in 2008 — goes further down that rabbit hole, frequently tossing out references to Alzheimer's, girls being carried away by paramedics and whispering to ghosts.

"The album was written the year our grandparents died, and we didn't record it with the thought of releasing it," Murphy said of the deeply personal album. "We just played it into a laptop. But after hearing it, we kind of got into the mood."

Don't mistake Postdata's self-titled debut for a bleak set of songs, however. Rather, it's the kind of quiet, bedroom affair that briefly flirted with becoming huge back when Red House Painters were soundtracking Gap commercials. Far from having to rely on the

sometimes harrowing topics at hand, Postdata's bare bones subtlety leaves enough space for its sound to create an impact all its own. In another life, album highlight Paranoid Clusters could have the heart and tempo of a Celtic stomper that betrays Murphy's Nova Scotia roots. It may also offer hints to future collaborations between the Murphys.

"That was one of the first songs that was written for this album, it's one of my favourites," Murphy says.

"But it's hard to say what would happen if we made another record together. You don't want to box yourself into anything."

Having just road tested the material to rave reviews on a European tour, Postdata have a handful of Canadian dates slotted for the spring before Murphy returns to his day job with Wintersleep, which is working one a new album set for a May release.

"The crowds were great, but it was a little different. It definitely wasn't a Wintersleep crowd."

And this definitely isn't a Wintersleep album. But for fans of Murphy's better-known work, Postdata is a chance to catch him in a moment of intimacy that might never be repeated.

If we can glean anything from Jason Collett's life, it's that he likes family. The Toronto-based singer-songwriter has a couple of teenage kids, has spent many months on the road as part of Canada's biggest musical clan, Broken Social Scene, and now he's watching his backing band, Zeus, grow up.

"There is a bit of a maternal sense," says Collett on the phone from his Toronto home. "It's a fine line between that and becoming patronizing though."

While Zeus is receiving a huge amount of buzz for their debut disc, Collett's not quite ready to say goodbye to his musical progeny. They're all going on the road together — along with another ex-backing band member Alfie Jurvanen, a.k.a. Bahamas — but rather than letting the proud papa play last, they're all sharing a stage.

"It's going to be a complicated tour," he says, explaining that all three acts will, for the most part, back each other up while they play their respective songs.

"A lot of fans know our history and have been excited to see the growth of Zeus and Afie's solo work," he says. "You get more out of an evening when you see musicians sharing."

But Zeus and Bahamas aren't the only one's growing.

Collett's latest, Rat a Tat Tat, is his best disc yet. While it's not much different from his past efforts — it's still a combination of Dylan folk sounds and Joel Plaskett-like rock tunes — the songs are more infectious and focused than what we've heard from him before.

"I feel like I'm hitting my stride," he reveals. "My writing's better, but

I'm always learning and there's still room to grow."

While he is improving musically, it's the lyrics that really stand out. Specifically, Lake Superior and Winnipeg Winds, two tracks that, Collett hopes, adds something to an already rich history of Canadian songwriters singing about this country.

On the latter track, Collett captures a Winnipeg winter perfectly, even though he's never actually experienced one. The haunting

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atmospheric acoustics would make the perfect soundtrack to a dark Winnipeg night, while the lyrics "Never could get used to those Winnipeg Winds ... Sleepwalking with skeleton keys jangling," should sound familiar to any Pegger trying to unlock a door as the early morning breeze freezes their hands at the knuckles.

Collett says his decision to talk about Canadian locales on this disc was mostly for fun. There are so many American songs that reference places — like Memphis or Route 66 — so he wanted to see what he could come up with using Canadian spots.

"American mythology looms so large in all our minds," he says. "Canada has so many fabulous names, like Thunder Bay or Saskatchewan and I've taken them for granted. They have a certain quality to them that can be conjured. So I set about to see if I can do a little conjuring and the stories revealed themselves. It was just a little exercise I've had fun with."



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Live from New York ...

It's official: Betty White will host NBC's Saturday Night Live on May 8, WNBC News announced Thursday morning. The Golden Girl was the subject of a Facebook campaign to get her the gig. PEOPLE.COM



Television

Someone is missing from Top Model

A British TV series questions whether there is a place for disabled women in modelling

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada



Is the fashion world ready for a disabled model?

Probably not, says Sophie Morgan, one of eight disabled women vying for a modeling career on the reality series Britain's Missing Top Model.

"I loved that the show raised that question and tried to answer it," says Morgan, who was paralyzed below her chest in a car accident six years ago.

"And I think the disabled have every right to share that catwalk."

"But whether the fashion world is ready and you can make a living at it, I have to honestly say not yet."

Britain's Missing Top Model explores that question in great detail as it puts its contestants — who have disabilities as varied

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Sophie Morgan,
a contestant on
Britain's Missing
Top Model

as deafness, missing limbs and brain injuries — through their supermodel paces as they vie for a modeling contract and a magazine shoot.

BMTM best resembles your typical model search show but one that challenges society's preconceptions on beauty.

"I was worried the show would be handled badly," says the Sussex-born Morgan, the only contestant in a wheel chair.

"But in the end, I decided it would be a challenge and a weird thing to do."

"So I did it. And I enjoyed it. And it definitely taught me things and gave me more confidence."

Confidence — apparently — that made her realize she didn't want to be a model.

"It sort of pushed me away from modeling. I didn't like how the models were treated and how they didn't have a voice. It was all about clothes," she says.

A lot of Morgan's time these days is spent as the spokeswoman for IMPERFECT, an organization that functions as both a sup-

port group and an activist group that draws attention to cases of disability discrimination.

"It's aimed at inspiring self-confidence and empowering disabled people to stand up for themselves."

A sneak peak ...

- You can catch a sneak peak of Britain's Missing Top Model on One this Saturday and Sunday night.
- It then moves to its regular time slot on Monday nights.

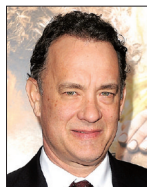


Sophie Morgan is one of eight contestants on the show.

Producers honour American veterans

PREMIER Tom Hanks, Steven Spielberg and Elizabeth Dole joined 250 veterans at the Second World War memorial in Washington to honour their service.

HBO brought the veterans to the memorial Thursday to coincide with the network's premiere of a 10-part series called The Pacific.



Tom Hanks

Spielberg are part of the production team, following their Band of Brothers miniseries in 2001. The series begins Sunday.

It focuses on the lives of U.S. Marines fighting the Japanese after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The veterans included a 100-year-old man and came from Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, New York, Philadelphia and Orlando, Fla.

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Television

Conan to tour North America

Without a TV show to do every night, Conan O'Brien is taking his act on the road. And he's stopping in Canada.

The former Tonight Show host announced a 30-city theatre tour on Thursday. Sidekick Andy Richter and the former Tonight Show band will join O'Brien for what he calls "a night of music, comedy, hugging and the occasional awkward silence."

The tour, called The

Legally Prohibited from Being Funny on Television Tour, begins April 12 in Eugene, Ore., and he's in Vancouver the next two nights. He's in Enoch, Alta., on April 17 and Toronto on May 22.

O'Brien quipped: "It was either a massive 30-city tour or start helping out around the house."

O'Brien quit The Tonight Show in January instead of taking NBC's offer to move his start time back by a half-hour. Jay Leno is back in his old slot. O'Brien hasn't announced any future television plans.

The cheapest ticket in Toronto and Vancouver is \$58.13 after fees and go as high as

\$103.13. A special "hot seat" ticket \$262.63.

Prices are more expensive at the Enoch show, at the River Cree Resort & Casino, with regular tickets ranging from \$97.50 to \$137.50 after fees. A special meet and greet with O'Brien goes for \$695 per person.

For a complete list of tour dates and ticket information visit teamco.co.com.

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Conan O'Brien

	HA	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
FRIDAY	pr	31	31	31	ABC News Center	World News	Inside Edition	Chronicle	Supernanny (N)		Supernanny (N)		20/20
	31/210	7	7	7	ASN The Road to Avonlea	Degrassi: TNG	TMZ (N)	America's Next Top Model			Look-A-Like		Comedy Now
		11	11	11	CBC Wheel Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Rick Mercer Marketplace	CBC News: the fifth estate			CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour (N)
		32	32	32	CBS WBZ News (N)	Evening News	Patriots	Jeopardy! (N)			Medium (HDTV) (N)		NUMB3RS (N)
		6	6	6	CHIF Entertainment	ET Canada	NUMB3RS (N)				Ghost Whisperer (N)		Shark Tank
		9	9	9	CJCH eTalk	Access H.	Medium (HDTV) (N)				Ghost Whisperer (N)		The Bridge (N) (DVS)
		36	36	36	FOX seinfeld	The Simpsons	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men			House "Epic Fail"		Kitchen Nightmares (N)
		12	12	12	NBC News	NBC News	Access H.	Extra (N)			Who Do You Think You Are?		FOX News
		55	55	55	SCOR HSR	Covers	Poker Aussie Millions				Dateline NBC		City News
		53	53	53	TSN SportsCentre	Curling 2010 Tim Hortons Brier, Page Playoff. (HDTV)	From Halifax. (Live)						Basketball
FRIDAY	sp	16	16	16	A&E CSI: Miami (HDTV)	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	Criminal Minds (HDTV)			Criminal Minds (HDTV)		Criminal
		70	70	70	APTN APTN InFocus (N)	Fish Out of Blessings					Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life		
		37	37	37	BRVO Emily of New Moon	Margaret Atwood	Bravo/FACT	Cover Stories			White Collar (N)		Dexter
		49	49	49	COM Just for Laughs	Air Force	22 Minutes	Corner Gas			The Simpsons		Comedy Now
		18	18	18	CNN (6) The Situation Room With Wolf	Blitzer (N)	Daily Planet (N)	Campbell Brown (N)			Larry King Live (N)		Cooper 360
		38	38	38	DISC Cash Cab	How It's Made	Property	Dirty Jobs			Man vs. Wild "Pacific Island"		Machines
		34	34	34	HGTV Extreme Makeover: Home	House	World's	House			Location, Location, Location		House
		46	46	46	HIST Jobs in the Danger Zone	Ancients Behaving Badly	Nostradamus Effect (HDTV)	The Vampire Diaries			Donnie Brasco (1997, Crime Drama)		
		17	17	17	MM America's Best Dance Crew	Secret Life of American Teen					The New Guy ** (2002, Comedy)		
		206	206	206	PIX (6:10) Raging Bull (1980, Biography)	The Duke **	(1999, Comedy-Drama)				Mad Max *** (1979, Science Fiction)		
FRIDAY	ca	39	39	39	SHOW Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Relic Hunter	Nightmare at the End of the Hall (2008, Drama)			Pure Pwnage		
		40	40	40	SLUCE Whatever	Wedding SOS	Rich Bride Poor Bride	Til Debt-Part			Til Debt-Part		Til Debt-Part
		21	21	21	TLT Say Yes	Say Yes	Four Weddings (HDTV)	What Not to Wear			What Not to Wear (N)		Weddings
		22	22	22	W House-Sell	House-Sell	How to Look Good Naked	Feast of Love ** (2007, Drama)			That's Weir		Prank Patrol
		27	27	27	YTV iCarly	To Be Indie	Sydney White ** (2007, Comedy)	Amanda Byrnes, Matt Long.					
SATURDAY	HA	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
	pr	31	31	31	ABC News Center	World News	Cosby Show	TBA	Desperate Housewives		Desperate Housewives		Jimmy Kimmel
	31/310	7	7	7	ASN The Road to Avonlea	Running: Terry Fox			Descent (2005, Science Fiction)		Luke Perry.		Atlantis
		11	11	11	CBC National	Hockey Night	NHL Hockey Regional Coverage. (HDTV) (Live)						NHL Hockey
		32	32	32	CBS College Basketball Pac-10 Tournament, Final: Teams TBA.								48 Hours
		6	6	6	CHIF Jane Show	renegade	You Belong to Me (2008, Suspense)						News Final (N)
		9	9	9	CJCH W5 (N) (DVS)	Law and Order							CTV News
		36	36	36	FOX Friends	Friends	Seinfeld	Seinfeld					FOX First
		12	12	12	NBC News	NBC News	Access Hollywood (N)	Parenthood (HDTV)					Law & Order
		55	55	55	SCOR MMA Show	Footy Show	WWE Vintage Collection	Score Rewind			Score Now		Hockey Sat.
SATURDAY	sp	53	53	53	TSN SportsCentre	Curling 2010 Tim Hortons Brier, Semifinal. (HDTV)	From Halifax. (Live)						SportsCentre
		16	16	16	A&E CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "Darkroom"				CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
		70	70	70	APTN Flame	The Mix (N)	MYTV	Rez Tunez			Moccasin Flats: Redemption (2008, Drama)		
		37	37	37	BRVO Arts & Minds	Bravo/Videos	Spectacle: Elvis				Meet the Parents (2000, Comedy)		
		49	49	49	COM Comedy Now	Comedy Now	Corner Gas	Corner Gas			The Simpsons		Stanhope
		18	18	18	CNN Situation Room-Wolf Blitzer	Newsroom	Corner Gas	Corner Gas			CNN Presents A city manager wants to be a woman.		Newsroom
		38	38	38	DISC Cash Cab	How It's Made	Cash Cab (N)	Cash Cab			Destroyed		Vermintors
		34	34	34	HGTV Holmes on Homes	Flipping Out "Sell Out"					Property		Makeover
		46	46	46	HIST Anciently Behaving Badly	Nostradamus Effect (HDTV)	The Vampire Diaries				Dirty Jobs "Worm Grunter"		
		17	17	17	MM The Vampire Diaries	The New Guy ** (2002, Comedy)	D. J. Qualls.				The Departed (2006, Crime Drama)		
SATURDAY	ca	206	206	206	PIX (6:20) Lawrence of Arabia ****	(1962, Adventure)	Peter O'Toole.				Muchmusic Countdown		
		39	39	39	SHOW 27 Dresses	About a Girl	Slings and Arrows				Windtalkers ** (2002, War)		
		40	40	40	SLUCE Til Debt-Part	Til Debt-Part	Real Housewives of Jersey				A Decent Proposal (2007, Drama)		27 Dresses
		21	21	21	TLT Toddler's Tiaras		LA Ink (HDTV)				Real Housewives of Atlanta		Project Runway
		22	22	22	W Wedding Daze	Catch and Release ** (2007, Comedy-Drama)	Jennifer Garner.				LA Ink "Training Day"		LA Ink
		27	27	27	YTV Kid vs. Kat	League-Evil	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol			A Cinderella Story (2004, Romance-Comedy)		
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	31/470	7	7	7	ASN The Road to Avonlea	TMZ (N)			Gossip Girl		Undercover Boss (N)		Nip/Tuck (N)
		11	11	11	CBC Heartland (N) (DVS)		Abroad (2010, Romance-Comedy)		Liane Balaban.		CBC News: The National		Cold Case (N)
		32	32	32	CBS NCAA Basketball Selection		60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 16		Undercover Boss (N)		
		6	6	6	CHIF 16-9-Picture	Jane Show	The Simpsons	King of Hill			The Celebrity Apprentice (N)		CTV News
		9	9	9	CJCH Human Target (N)		Cold Case "One Fall"		The Amazing Race 16		Desperate Housewives		FOX First
		36	36	36	FOX Cold Case		"Til Death (N)		The Simpsons		Family Guy		The Celebrity Apprentice (N)
		12	12	12	NBC PGA Tour Golf		Minute to Win It (N)		The Simpsons		Minute to Win It (N)		NBA Basketball: Raptors at Trail Blazers
		55	55	55	SCOR Score Today		The WWE Experience		MMA Fight Night				
SUNDAY	sp	53	53	53	TSN Golf		Curling 2010 Tim Hortons Brier, Final. (HDTV)	From Halifax. (Live)					
		16	16	16	A&E Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars				Parking Wars		Parking Wars
		70	70	70	APTN APTN InFocus		Canadian Geographic				A Walk in the Clouds ** (1995, Romance)		
		37	37	37	BRVO Spectacle: Elvis		Bravo/FACT				Eastern Promises *** (2007, Drama)		
		49	49	49	COM Laughs	Laughs	Hiccups	Dan for Mayor			The Simpsons		Tosh.0
		18	18	18	CNN Newsroom		Newsroom				CNN Presents A city manager wants to be a woman.		Newsroom
		38	38	38	DISC Cash Cab	How It's Made	MythBusters Ninjas.				Clash of the Dinosaurs (N)		MythBusters
		34	34	34	HGTV Holmes Inspection	House Hunt	House				Sarah's House		House-Bryan
		46	46	46	HIST Ice Pilots NWT (HDTV)	Ancient Discoveries					Holmes Inspection		
		17	17	17	MM Buffy the Vampire Slayer	America's Best Dance Crew	So You Think You Can Dance				American Gangster *** (2007)		
SUNDAY	ca	206	206	206	PIX Radio Flyer ** (1992, Fantasy)	Elijah Wood.					Uptown Girls ** (2003, Comedy)		
		39	39	39	SHOW Howie Do It	Kink in Hair	Crash & Burn (HDTV)				Secret Lives (2005, Suspense)		Damages (N)
		40	40	40	SLUCE Buy Me	Buy Me	The Big Flip	Marriage			X-Weighted "Randi"		Matchmaker
		21	21	21	TLT Untold Stories of the E.R.		The Woman With Giant Legs				Hoarders: Buried Alive		Hoard-Buried
		22	22	22	W Hollyw'd Best	Beauty Call	Supernanny				Come Dine With Me		Love Thy Neighbor (2005, Suspense)
		27	27	27	YTV Stardust *** (2007, Fantasy)	Claire Danes, Charlie Cox, Robert De Niro. Premiere.					Fries That?		Survive This

Mattel Mad Men dolls

Mattel is planning versions of Barbie and Ken modeled after Mad Men's Joan, Roger, Don, and Betty. If you can afford one of the 7,000 to 10,000 copies — they're \$74.95 US each! — it will surely be your "statement doll." **EW.COM**

Going Out

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 The Pacific

TV Tom Hank's newest look at the Second World War

focuses on the Pacific theatre, following the real life experiences of three U.S. Marines. The 10-part series cost \$200 million US to make, and premieres on HBO Canada on Sunday.



2 '80s Nostalgia

POP CULTURE How could you not be feeling a little nostalgic this week with the John Hughes' memorial at the Academy Awards

last Sunday — including the much-tweeted appearance of Judd Nelson — followed by the tragic death of Corey Haim on Wednesday. Head to the video store this weekend and rent a copy of The Lost Boys, Sixteen Candles or Say Anything — or, dig out those old Betamax and VHS tapes from the basement.

3 Quarantine The Past: Greatest Hits by Pavement

ALBUM Now that '90s indie stalwarts Pavement are touring again — they will be heading northwards this summer for a concert in Toronto — there is no excuse to be oblivious of their influence. This new compilation is a good place to fall in love with Stephen Malkmus and co. and their best slacker-friendly tunes.

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Jon Hamm plays Donald Draper on Mad Men.

Drinking like Don Draper

TINA CHADHA
Metro World News



All those episodes of Mad Men have you craving cigarettes and whiskey? Glenfiddich brand ambassador helps us learn more about dad's drink.

Blame it on our ongoing obsession with Mad Men or the freezing cold weather, but we want to be badass and throw back a whiskey the next time we go out.

Heather Greene — brand ambassador of Glenfiddich and one of the world's only female whiskey experts — shows us how to order Don's drink in style.

Q Hmmm, so you're a world class whiskey expert?

A We traditionally think of whiskey as the domain of older men. I think that's changing. It's fun to be at this position as a woman — it adds an element of surprise.

Q What's the difference between whiskey and scotch?

A Scotch is a

whiskey. Whiskey is the umbrella term and underneath that you have scotch, bourbon, rye, Canadian whiskey, Japanese whiskey ... Scotland is the godfather of whiskey, so it has its own category — whiskey from Scotland is Scotch.

Scotch is such a huge category it's actually divided into two: You either have blended scotches or single malt scotches.

Q What's your drink of choice at bars?

A Lately, it's Glenfiddich 12 Old Fashioned, which is Donald Draper's favourite drink. You put that on ice and it's a cocktail in and of itself. It's affordable, it's re-

ally good. It has a nice silky vanilla pear overtone to it.

Q What's a single malt?

A Single malt is made with water, yeast and barley and it's distilled in pot stills and condensed. Then it's put in beautiful barrels to age for a minimum of three years — that's when you have your single malt scotch. It's quite a process.

Q So, what's blended scotch?

A Single means one single distillery. In a blended scotch, you can take up to 30 to 40 different distilleries and blend them together.

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4 Starbucks Via

FOOD Starbucks unveiled its line of ready brew coffees last year, and now it's going decaf. This week, the coffee chain premiered its Starbucks VIA Ready Brew Decaffeinated Italian Roast, giving you an in-store coffee taste, but with less jitters.



5 Broken Embraces

DVD Pedro Almodovar and his muse Penelope Cruz reunited last year for the drama Broken Embraces — garnering critical acclaim and a number of award nominations. Now, the DVD is set to hit store shelves on Tuesday.



6 Killing Willis

BOOKS With all their problems over the years, it would appear that child stars on Diff'rent Strokes are cursed. Now, Todd Bridges is weighing in on the theory with Killing Willis: From Diff'rent Strokes to the Mean Streets to the Life I Always Wanted, chronicling his fall from teen idol to tabloid joke. It is in stores on Tuesday.

7 The Hurt Locker

THEATRE You may have missed The Hurt Locker when it played in theatres the first time, but now that it won the Academy Award for Best Picture — and garnered Kathryn Bigelow the first ever Oscar for a female director — the film is heading back to the big screen.

Mix of Six**Rabbit Hole**

When: Through March 28
Where: Neptune Theatre
This Pulitzer Prize winning play by David Lindsay-Abaire tells the story of a family dealing with the tragic loss of their son. Visit neptunetheatre.com.

Franklin the Turtle and the Noble Knights

When: Saturday, 1 & 4 p.m.
Where: Rebecca Cohn Auditorium
Popular cartoon character Franklin goes on a quest to recover the lost "Golden

Necklace" of Princess Harriette. Tickets are \$25.

Tim Hortons Brier

When: Through Sunday
Where: Halifax Metro Centre
Canada's best male curlers will take to the ice for exciting action. Tickets for draws start at \$15 each. Visit ticketatlantic.com.

The Real Home Show 2010

When: All weekend, 10 a.m.
Where: Halifax Forum
Whether you're building a new home, renovating your current one or you just want to check out what's new and in, this event is for you.

Third annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade

When: Saturday, 11:30 a.m.
Where: Starts at Agricola
This popular event will feature Irish spirit and fun. Tickets are \$10 each.

Maritime Junior A Hockey League playoffs

When: Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Where: St. Margarets Bay Arena
The Halifax Lions are trying to make some playoff noise in its best-of-seven series with the Pictou County Crushers.

Three women who have claimed to be Tiger Woods' mistress competed in the Tiger Woods Mistress Beauty Pageant on Thursday morning's Howard Stern Show. Congratulations to Jamie Jungers, 27, who won \$75,000 and some golf balls. **EW.COM**

Entertainment

Costner shows off his musical talents

ELISABETH BRAW
Metro World News

After *Dances with Wolves*, country music? Oscar winner Kevin Costner has played a colonel during the American Civil War and Robin Hood. But his new career may require even more courage: The Academy Award winner now also plays country music, as the front man of Kevin Costner and Modern West.

Q You're a successful movie star. Why did you launch a career in country music?

A I didn't know it would evolve to this point. I started playing a bit, and my wife encouraged me, and more and more people started coming to my gigs. I love singing my own songs, but I never thought I'd be touring and making albums.

Q Do country musicians get less respect than Hollywood actors?

A I don't look to anyone else for confirmation; I just go out and give people a good show. People in Europe, Germans in particular, are very appreciative. The Germans are actually why I started doing music more seriously. I'll direct a Second World War movie this fall and went to Germany last year to meet with some actors. My band and I scheduled some gigs and lots of people turned up, and now we're back, playing in larger venues. That's what I like about the Germans: they don't care what anyone else thinks; if they like you, they invite you back.

Q With record sales declining, isn't music a dying business?

A Anyone can make an album, but a good musician can play live. As a matter of fact, I was the only member of my band who didn't want to make an album because I knew that I'd be

scrutinized in a way that most musicians are not. But in the end I gave in. We're releasing our second album this month.

Q In the 2008 film *Swing Vote*, about an unemployed man whose vote determines the entire presidential election. In real life, you supported Barack Obama, telling college students to get involved with politics because your generation failed to save the world.

Q How do you want Generation Y to change it?

A People have to force politicians to drop their egos and make decisions for future generations. We have too many people in politics who are just concerned about one future: their own.

Q Your sixth child was born last year. What have you learned from being a father?

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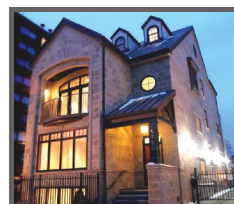
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Going Out

Labine 'nothing special'

Actor credits parents for his down-to-earth approach

When Tyler Labine was starting to get some success as a young actor in Canada his parents gave him some blunt advice: "There's nothing special about what you do."

"Thankfully my parents were very savvy," says Labine, whose latest series, *Sons of Tucson* airs Thursday nights on Global and can also be seen Sunday on Fox.

Labine grew up in Brampton, Ont., moved

with his family to Vancouver during his teenage years and started acting when he was nine. While his parents encouraged his acting ambitions, they made the distinction between what he did and who he was.

"You're a special person, but there's nothing special about what you do," he remembers them telling him. Basically, the message was, "don't ever get a big head about what you do."

Now 31, Labine has had a few years in L.A. to get some perspective on that advice. He's been close to having that breakout U.S. hit a few times over the years but still no cigar.

Fortunately, when the creators of *Sons of Tucson* were looking for an actor to play Ron Snuffkin, a misfit, surrogate dad to three mischievous siblings, they saw Labine as a perfect fit.

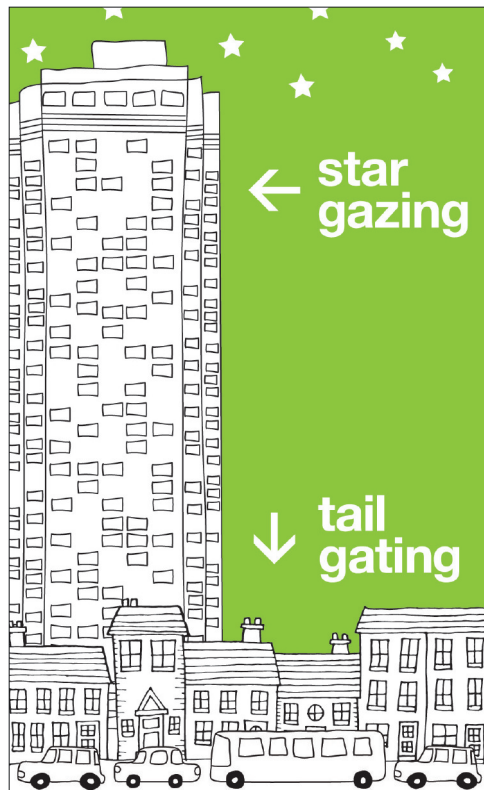
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Sons of Tucson cast members Benjamin Stockham, left, and Tyler Labine slap hands during a panel discussion on the television series at the Fox Television Critics Association winter press tour.

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Evan Rachel Wood, who was originally cast to play Mary Jane Watson in Spider-Man, Turn Off the Dark, has dropped out of the Broadway musical because of scheduling conflicts, Entertainment Weekly reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Settling into the new pad

IT'S GOT MANLY METAL BARS AND A COOL BUNK BED As of Monday, rapper Lil Wayne has a new moniker: Inmate Carter, people.com reports.

The platinum-selling artist (real name: Dwayne Michael Carter Jr.), who began his year-long jail sentence for gun possession on Monday, is facing a lot of new circumstances these days.

The rapper is living among the general popula-

tion of inmates at the Eric M. Taylor Center (a facility for sentenced males on Riker's Island), but he is also afforded a low level of protective custody, due to his public profile.

"Inmate Carter is in a category of housing that we call 'general popula-

tion/escort,'" a New York City Department of Corrections official tells People.

That means when he leaves the housing area (his cell or the day room), he will have a captain escorting him at all times.

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Repaying kindness with coffee

GOOD THING SHE HAS A FLEET OF PHOTOGRAPHERS FOLLOWING HER. THAT PARKING TICKET WOULD HAVE REALLY GOUGED HER Renée Zellweger is very pleased with the paparazzi, us-magazine.com reports.

On Wednesday, the actress, 40, was in the middle of order-

ing drinks at a Starbucks in Santa Monica, Calif., when a paparazzo outside noticed her parking metre was about to expire. To save her from getting a ticket, he slipped a few coins in the meter.

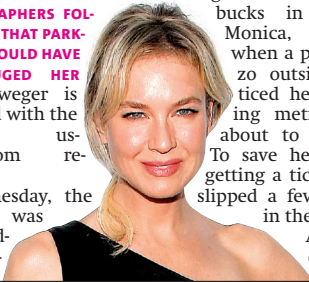
Appreciative,

Zellweger — who is now dating Bradley Cooper — returned to the coffee chain, bought a \$100 gift card and rewarded the photographer.

On the back of the card, she personally expressed her gratitude: "Wow. Thank you so much for the kindness," she wrote.

"Warmly, with gratitude. Renée."

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Doesn't want a tainted rep

TALKING EXPLICITLY ABOUT YOUR SEX LIFE IS THE OBVIOUS THE WAY TO GO In a remarkably candid interview with Men's Health magazine, Gerard Butler admits that since he's become famous he's grown paranoid about having sex. "I get laid less now than I used to, because I'm way more paranoid now," he says.

"I mean, I'm nowhere near as naughty as I used to be, partly because I did a lot of that when I was drinking."

But he insists he hasn't become celibate.

"I'm not saying I've cut that part out. I'm certainly no angel. There's no smoke without fire."

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Fractals and melting walls?

NOPE. ACID INSPIRED HIM TO AUDITION FOR IDOL ... SOUNDS LIKE ONE BAD TRIP Former American Idol runner-up Adam Lambert is happy with his success, and says it's all because he "found himself" while taking LSD, according to Holliscope.

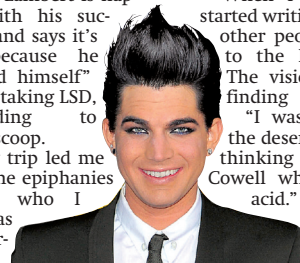
"My trip led me to some epiphanies about who I was as a per-

former, what I wanted to do and how I needed to create my own opportunities," he says.

"When I got home, I started writing music with other people and went to the Idol audition. The vision was about finding opportunities."

"I wasn't sitting in the desert in rave-wear thinking about Simon Cowell when I was on acid."

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Attitude not appreciated

NOT A FAVOURITE IN THE SCHOOLYARD. SHOCKER! Twilight star Robert Pattinson admits that he's no stranger to violence, even if he thinks he didn't really deserve it, he tells Parade magazine.

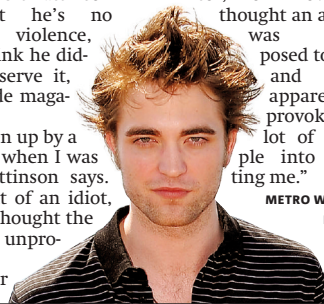
"I got beaten up by a lot of people when I was younger," Pattinson says.

"I was a bit of an idiot, but I always thought the assaults were unprovoked."

"It was after

I first started acting and I liked to behave like an actor, or how I thought an actor was supposed to be, and that apparently provoked a lot of people into hitting me."

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LIL WAYNE is OK with going to prison, **JOHN MAYER** is putting his purchases to good use, and **LINDSAY LOHAN** is looking for information.

@liltunehi Law is mind without reason.I'll return

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Mischa's moving out

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The former O.C. star has decided to move away from Beverly Hills and has put her \$8.4 million US Tuscan-style mansion on the market, reports People.com.

It was recently reported Mischa is being sued by M.R.A. Realities for failing to pay the \$7,000-a-month rent on her New York apartment for three months. Mischa signed the one-year lease for the apartment last September so she had somewhere to live while she filmed TV series The Beautiful Life, but the programme was cancelled after just two shows.

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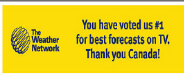
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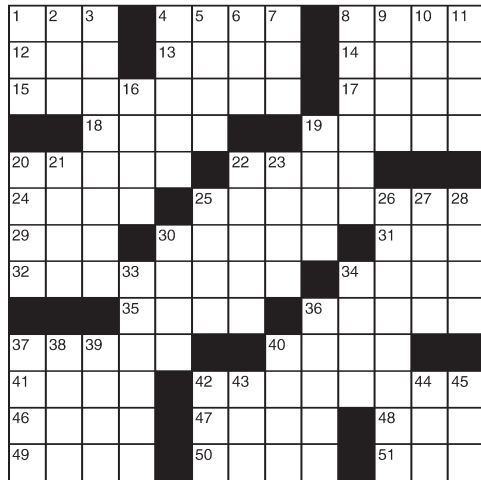
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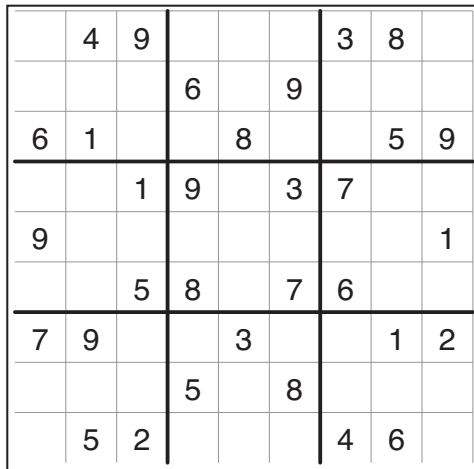
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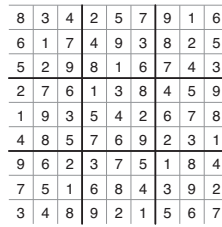
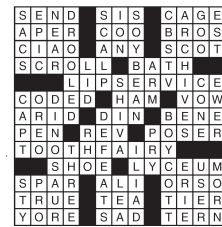
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4 small turnips, peeled and quartered
500 g pre-washed small new potatoes
2 1/3 cups chicken stock, made with stock cube
4 tbsp medium or sweet sherry
200 g green beans
1 tbsp cornstarch
1 cup plain low-fat yogurt
Grated zest of 1 lemon

METHOD:

1. Heat oil in pot. Add chicken; season and cook over high heat 2 minutes, turning. Remove from pot and set aside.
2. Add mushrooms to pot and cook over high heat, stirring, 1 minute. Reduce heat; add leeks, then

turnips and potatoes.
3. Pour in stock and sherry. Bring to boil. Add chicken and juices from plate. Reduce heat, cover and cook 10 minutes.
4. Add beans, cover and bubble until chicken and vegetables are cooked. Divide among four plates. Keep warm.
5. Boil stock uncovered over high heat 5 minutes to reduce. Meanwhile, mix cornstarch with yogurt and lemon zest.
6. Gradually add most of reduced stock to yogurt mixture, stirring, and pour back into pot. Boil, stirring, to thicken sauce. Pour some sauce over chicken and vegetables; serve remainder separately.

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



Don't worry too much if saying what you mean does not come easy today. The words may get stuck now but you'll have plenty to say next week.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



You may dislike making choices but you are now faced by one that is impossible to avoid. It is obvious that something has to give.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



Be realistic about a project you are involved in, especially if you are thinking ten steps ahead of everyone else.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



You are not the sort who can be fooled easily and even if you are half asleep today you will quickly work out who is trying to pull the wool over your eyes.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



If you make a mistake the best thing you can do is to admit it. The more you try to cover up the error the more it will be compounded.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Act with authority and speak with conviction. Make sure everyone knows you are someone to be treated with respect.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



Listen to what a friend who can usually be trusted tells you today. It may sound a bit far-fetched but chances are they've got their finger on the pulse.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



You cannot agree with everyone and someone will get rather cross too today when they hear what your opinions are on a topic that is dear to them.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



If your instincts tell you one thing today and a work or business colleague tells you something completely different, which one do you trust?

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



Try not to attach too much importance to the news that comes your way today, because there is also a large slice of it which is pure nonsense.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



You will rise to the challenges that the day brings your way and do your reputation no harm at all. You never know what you can do until you try.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



Make the most of the Sun in your sign to put your own interests first and don't worry for even a moment that other people might be missing out.

This day in history

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1918: Moscow becomes the capital of Russia again after Saint-Petersburg held this status for 215 years.

1930: Mahatma Gandhi leads a 200-mile march, known as the Dandi March, to the sea in defiance of British opposition, to protest the British monopoly on salt.

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